## CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

## RESOLUTION NO. 2018-117

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, URGING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO AMEND ITS CODE SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF MASS-BRED DOGS AND CATS TO THE PUBLIC.

WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to prohibit the sale or transfer of mass-bred dogs and cats for sale to the public in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, mass-bred dogs and cats often come from breeding facilities known as "puppy mills" where they are bred and raised in appalling conditions; and

WHEREAS, various municipalities throughout the state of Florida have banned retail pet stores from selling mass-bred dogs and cats; and

WHEREAS, most recently the City of Miami passed an ordinance in July of 2017 limiting the sale of pets to: 1) publicly operated animal control facilities or animal shelters; 2) private, charitable, not for profit animal rescue organizations; 3) publicly operated animal control agencies or not for profit animal rescue organizations that operate out of or in connection with a pet store; 4) pet stores that sell pets formerly from animal shelters or locally regulated hobby breeders; or 5) sales from hobby breeders; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission urges Miami-Dade County to pass similar legislation so as to prohibit the sale of mass-bred dogs and cats to the public of Miami-Dade County;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

- **SECTION 1.** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.
- **SECTION 2.** That the City Commission urges the Miami-Dade County Commission to amend the County code so as to prohibit the sale or transfer of mass-bred dogs or cats within the County.
- **SECTION 3.** That the City Commission directs the City Clerk to send copies of this resolution to the Miami- Dade County Commission and each County Commissioner, as well as Mayor Gimenez.
- **SECTION 4.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TENTH DAY OF APRIL, A.D., 2018.

(Moved: Keon / Seconded: Lago)

(Yeas: Lago, Mena, Quesada, Keon, Valdes-Fauli)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote) (Agenda Item: H-2)

APPROVED:

RAÚL VALDÉS-FAULI

MAYOR

WALTER J. FOEMAN

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS CITY ATTORNEY